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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are deeply
3 saddened to learn of the death of James Dillow of Shannon, who
4 passed away on December 10, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, James Dillow was born on August 29, 1972, to James
6 and Janice (Stoner) Dillow; he graduated Eastland High School
7 in 1990, attended Bob Jones University in Greenville, South
8 Carolina, and graduated from St. Anthony College of Nursing in
9 Rockford; he married Rachel Cruz on August 20, 1994, in
10 Shannon; and

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WHEREAS, James Dillow was a member of Shannon Baptist
12 Church; he enjoyed photography, dancing, gardening, and music-
13 especially playing piano; he enjoyed Christmas shopping,
14 spending time with his family, and numerous activities with his
15 children from playing dress-up to going hunting; and

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WHEREAS, James Dillow was a FHN Memorial Hospital nursing
17 supervisor; he was a flight nurse for REACT of Rockford
18 Memorial Hospital for 11 years; it was during the discharge of
19 his duties for REACT that he and fellow flight nurse Karen
20 Hollis, and pilot Andrew Olesen, perished when they encountered
21 bad weather on route to pick up a critically ill patient; and

1 WHEREAS, James Dillow was preceded in death by his
2 grandparents, William and Myrtle Dillow and David and Cecil
3 Stoner; and

4 WHEREAS, James Dillow is survived by his wife, Rachel; his
5 daughters, Shelby and Libby; his sons, Gabriel and Jacob; his
6 parents, James and Janice Dillow; his sisters, Deanne (Paul)
7 Rose, Vickie Meinsma, Julie (John) Liles, and Jamie (Scott)
8 White; his father and mother-in-law, Sebastian and Jean Cruz;
9 his sister-in-law, Gina (Brad) Walker; his nieces and nephews,
10 Justin (Ashley) Wolber, Kristy (Jim) Dowling, Desiree (Travis)
11 Holz, Michael Rose, Breanna Rose, Kayla (Derek) Carroll, Bryce
12 Meinsma, Brett Meinsma, Autumn White, Ethan White, Courtney
13 Walker, and Margaret Walker; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
16 James Dillow, and we extend our sincere condolences to his
17 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of James Dillow as an expression of our
21 deepest sympathy.